



Education Standards and Practices Board

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MINUTES -- APRIL 25, 1996

Thursday, April 25, 1996

The Education Standards and Practices Board meeting was called to order by chairperson Maryjane Martens on Thursday, April 25, 1996, at 8:20 a.m. Members of the Board present were Maryjane Martens, Dr. Doug Johnson, Linda Davis, Susan Andrews, Randy Gordon, Bev Sandness, Michael Schatz, Executive Director Marilyn Ridenhower, Board Intern Deb Jensen, and ex-officio Board member Ron Stastney, DPI. Members of the Board absent were Dr. Mary Harris and Don Haugen.

Visitors present were Helen Busche, NDEA; Joe Westby, NDEA; Clarence Bina, DPI; Roger Rieger, DPI; Marv Erhardt, LEAD Center and CSA; Richard Ott, School Boards Association; Pat Biel, Teacher Center Network; and Roman Weiler, SANS.

A motion was made by Sue Andrews and seconded by Dr. Doug Johnson to accept the minutes from the March, 1996, ESPB meeting. The motion carried.

Marilyn Ridenhower informed the Board that a total of \$104,995 was collected in revenue as of March 31, 1996. Money generated in certification fees for the month of March, 1996, amounted to slightly over \$15,000.

A motion was made by Linda Davis and seconded by Bev Sandness to accept the financial report as stated. The motion carried.

A director's report was given by Marilyn Ridenhower. Several topics discussed were the rules of certification of ESPB, completion of program approval visits, teacher inservice, new ESPB phone system, and an Education Services Committee meeting.

The Board recommended that duplicate certificates be issued free of charge for those certificates which were issued and sent out, but were not delivered to the mailing address, if reported within a reasonable amount of time.

THE RETREAT HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR JUNE 20-21, 1996. THE NEXT ESPB MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1996.

The Request for Inquiry case between Standing Rock Community School and John Cothern was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Cothern is now incarcerated in Olympia, Washington.

A motion was made by Bev Sandness to postpone any action on the John Cothern case until after the trial is completed in Washington. Mike Schatz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Another upcoming case was discussed by the Board. Most of the information must be kept confidential at this time. The person is now on trial in Montana for sexual molestation, and we need to wait for the results from Montana before any action can be taken by the Board.

There also was a request for waiver of student teaching from an applicant from Pennsylvania who wants to appeal the administrative rule for waiver of student teaching.

A motion was made by Dr. Doug Johnson to deny the applicant's request for waiver of student teaching. Randy Gordon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A request has also been made by the Special Education Unit of DPI to propose the elimination of the Bachelor level restriction to Speech-Language Pathology certification presently available through ESPB. A hearing process would have to take place if there is a proposed change.

A motion was made by Linda Davis to move the elimination of the restricted Speech-Language Pathology certification to the hearing process. Sue Andrews seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Deb Jensen informed the Board the draft copy of the Professional Development Guidelines has been mailed out to all the schools, boards, and organizations throughout the state. She also stated that the video should be ready for viewing by our ESPB retreat in June.

Deb Jensen also reported to the Board that the 12 semester hour load requirement was inadvertently omitted when the 1992 revision of the Standards was remade.

Dr. Doug Johnson made a motion to amend the Standards to address this omission by inserting "Undergraduate faculty should have a teaching load of no more than the equivalent of 12 semester hours" into Standard 4.8. The motion was seconded by Sue Andrews. The motion carried.

A professional development planning discussion meeting was held with individuals representing DPI, NDEA, LEAD, CSA, School Boards Association, Teacher Center Network, and SANS.

The following is an outline of the legislative planning process for professional development.

POT OF MONEY

- School districts/consortiums could apply for funds
- Local control balanced with state guidelines
- Minnesota model? (2% of foundation aid)
- School improvement drives professional development
- Commitment by individual schools and consortium
- Geographic balance and size balance
- Ongoing (Tied to school improvement cycle and school standards)
Planning, participatory process, assessment
- Additional funding, beyond what is currently LEAD, TLC, ESPB


Marilyn Ridenhower and Deb Jensen will review the outline and come up with a plan for the next ESPB meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

REMINDER: The next ESPB meeting will be held on Thursday, May 16, 1996.



ESPB Chair



ESPB Executive Director
Secretary